

Notice of Public Hearing

Pursuant to Section 22215 of Public Act 306 of 1969, as amended, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) will hold a hearing on Certificate of Need (CON) Review Standards.

Date: Thursday, April 21, 2016
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Location: Grand Tower Building
235 S. Grand Avenue, 1st floor
Dempsey Conference Room
Lansing, MI 48933



Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Services

The proposed CON Review Standards for MRI Services are being reviewed and modified to include the following:

1. Section 6 has been modified to allow for the acquisition of a fixed or mobile MRI service not meeting volume requirements by an entity if the MRI service is 1) owned by the applicant, 2) is under common control by the applicant, or 3) has a common parent as the applicant. The acquisition of an MRI service does not change the location of the service. The service would have to meet all other applicable MRI standards and project delivery requirements. Reduced regulation allows for facilities to more easily realign their assets when part of a larger health system.
2. Other technical edits.

Psychiatric Beds and Services

The proposed CON Review Standards for Psychiatric Beds and Services are being reviewed and modified to include the following:

1. Section 2: Definition has been modified as follows:
 - "Comparative group" means the applications which have been grouped for the same type of project in the same planning area OR STATEWIDE SPECIAL POPULATION GROUP and are being reviewed comparatively in accordance with the CON rules. Definition updated to include special population groups covered under the new addendum.
2. Section 15(1)(d): Modified as follows:
 - There shall be the following minimum staff employed either on a full time basis or ACCESS TO on a consulting basis AS NEEDED. This will provide more flexibility to the provider.
3. Addendum for Special Population Groups is being added for specific needs, i.e., developmentally disabled, geriatrics, and medical psychiatric. This will provide more access to beds for these specific hard to place patients.
4. Other technical edits.



Oral or written comments may be presented in person at the hearing on Thursday, April 21, 2016, or submitted in writing by sending an email to the following email address:

MDHHS-ConWebTeam@michigan.gov

Please submit written comments no later than 5:00 p.m., Thursday, April 28, 2016.

If your comment is in written form at the hearing, please provide a copy of your testimony.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Tania Rodriguez at 517-335-6708.

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